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FOR AMBASSADOR TASCA FROM ASSISTANT SECRETARY SISCO

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1. FACT THAT CONFERENCE PROVIDES A POTENTIAL TARGET FOR
TERRORISTS HAS BEEN A MATTER OF CONCERN AND STUDY HERE.
WE HAVE TAKEN THOSE STEPS NECESSARY TO PROVIDE PHYSICAL
SECURITY FOR CONFERENCE AND BELIEVE PRECAUTIONS FOR
TRAVELERS WE HAVE SUGGESTED WILL REDUCE RISKS SUBSTANTIALY.
ALTHOUGH DEPARTURE FROM TEHRAN PRESENTS PROBLEM OF CONCENTRA-
TION AT ONE POINT, FACT THAT SOME PARTICIPANTS STAYING ON
FOR A FEW DAYS, OTHERS LEAVING WITH DEPUTY SECRETARY,
AVAILABILITY OF US AND FOREIGN FLAG FLIGHTS THROUGH TEHRAN,
AND BOOKING SPACE IN NAMES OTHERS SHOULD MAKE ANY WOULD- BE
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TERRORIST' S JOB DIFFICULT.

2. WE ALL LIVE WITH RISK AND, PRUDENTLY, SHOULD TAKE ALL
FEASIBLE MEASURES TO REDUCE THEM. THEY CANNOT, HOWEVER,
BE PERMITTED TO BRING SOME PROCESSES OF OUR GOVERNMENT TO
A HALT. ROGERS

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